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Re: Application by Yasuo MIZOTA entitled

"METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR PRO-

DUCING CONSTITUENT MEMBER OF TIRE" Assignee: BRIDGESTONE CORPORATION

Our Reference: Q88723

☑ a Preliminary Amendment.

Sir:

The following documents and fees are submitted herewith in connection with the subject application for the purpose of entering the National Stage under 35 U.S.C. §371 in accordance with the Patent Cooperation Treaty:

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| | a copy of the executed Declaration and Power of Attorney (to follow). |
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| ☑ | an English translation of the International Application. |
| \square | four (4) sheets of drawings illustrating Figs. 1-7, 8-1 and 8-2. |
| | an English translation of Article 19 claim amendments. |
| | an English translation of Article 34 amendments (annexes to the IPER). |
| | a copy of the executed Assignment and Form PTO-1595 (to follow). |
| ☑ | a copy of the ISR. |
| | a copy of the IPER. |
| Ø | Form PTO/SB/08 A & B (modified) listing the ISR references. |
| | a copy of each reference cited in the ISR. |

☑ It is expressly requested that National Stage processing be commenced immediately in accordance with 35 U.S.C. §371(f).

In addition to the documents submitted herewith, it is presumed that copies of any Articles 19 and 34 amendments as required by 35 U.S.C. §371(c) were supplied directly by the



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International Bureau, but if additional copies are required, the undersigned attorney will provide the same upon request.

<u>Subsequent to entry of the concurrently filed Preliminary Amendment</u>, the Government filing fee is calculated as follows:

| Total claims | 6 | 20 | = | X | \$50.00 | = | 0 |
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| Independent claims | 2 | 3 | = | X | \$200.00 | = | 0 |
| Base Fee | | | | • | | _ | \$300.00 |
| Search Fee* | | | | | | _ | \$400.00 |
| Examination Fee* | | | | | | _ | \$200.00 |
| TOTAL FEES DUE | | | | | | | \$900.00 |

^{*} The international search fee for all claims was not paid to the USPTO as the ISA, but the ISR is being submitted herewith.

A check for the statutory filing fee of \$900.00 is attached. The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all additional required fees (except the Issue/Publication Fees) to our Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is also attached.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. §119 is claimed from:

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Respectfully submitted,

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